With

sequence Ala-Tyr-Val-His-Asp, residues 112 to 116 of Seq. I.D. No. 3;

and Q_1 is an electronegative leaving group.

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28. (Amended) A pharmaceutical composition comprising a physiologically acceptable carrier and a compound of the formula:

$$Z-Q_2-Asp-Q_1$$

where Z is an N-terminal protecting group; $Q_2 \text{ is 0 to 4 amino acids such that } Q_2\text{-Asp substantially} \\ \text{corresponds to at least a portion of the sequence Ala-Tyr-Val-His-Asp, residues 112 to 116 of Seq. I.D. No. 3;} \\ \text{and}$

 Q_1 is an electronegative leaving group.

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43. (Amended) A method of treating inflammation or treating an autoimmune disease in a mammal in need of such treatment comprising administering to said mammal an effective amount of a compound of the formula:

$$Z-Q_2-Asp-Q_1$$

where Z is an N-terminal protecting group;

 Q_2 is 0 to 4 amino acids such that the sequence Q_2 -Asp substantially corresponds to at least a portion of the sequence Ala-Tyr-Val-His-Asp, residues 112 to 116 of Seq.

I.D. No. 3; and

 Q_1 is an electronegative leaving group.